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In re application of:

Keith Lurie

Application No.: 09/967,029

Filed: September 28, 2001

For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS TO
FACILITATE THE DELIVERY OF
DRUGS

Examiner: Patel, Mital B.

Art Unit: 3761

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 10, 2002 (paper no. 5), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph at p. 3, ll. 13 – 23 to read as follows:

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The invention may be implemented by enhancing the negative intrathoracic pressure within the patient's chest to in turn enhance blood flow to the thorax to facilitate circulation of the drug throughout the blood stream and to the vital organs. This may be accomplished by preventing or impeding the flow of respiratory gases to the lungs under a variety of conditions, such as when performing CPR, when